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TAGS: AFSP, CGEN
SUBJECT: TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR CONSULAR SECTION

1. THE EMBASSY'S CONSULAR SECTION HAS EXPERIENCED AN UNEXPECTED 30 PERCENT INCREASE IN NIV ISSUANCE IN APRIL AND MAY OF THIS YEAR OVER THE SAME PERIOD IN 1977. WITH ASSISTANCE FROM OTHER SECTIONS OF THE EMBASSY IT STILL CANNOT KEEP UP WITH THE WORKLOAD. THIS SITUATION IS CAUSING DELAYS IN SERVICE (INCLUDING TO AMERICAN CITIZENS) AND IS ON THE VERGE OF CREATING A POOR PUBLIC RELATIONS IMAGE. AS MOST NIV'S ARE ISSUED BY MAIL, PRACTICALLY ALL OF ONE EMPLOYEE'S TIME IS NEEDED FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING AND DISPATCHING MAIL. FROM PAST EXPERIENCE, WE EXPECT THE BUSY SEASON TO CONTINUE UNTIL THE END OF JULY AND POSSIBLY THE MIDDLE OF AUGUST. THE EMBASSY THEREFORE IS REQUESTING A LOCAL PIT POSITION (NON-SENSITIVE) FOR TWO MONTHS BEGINNING ASAP.

2. FYI: THIS SITUATION WAS NOT ANTICIPATED IN THE CONSULAR PACKAGE FOR VARIOUS REASONS. WHILE BUDGET FARES TO THE U.S. AND ELSEWHERE WERE INTRODUCED THIS YEAR, THERE ARE ONLY A LIMITED NUMBER OF SEATS FOR THESE
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TRAVELLERS AND THE AIRLINES ONLY PREDICTED A TEN PERCENT INCREASE IN TRAFFIC. THE COMMONWEALTH GAMES IN CANADA WERE EXPECTED TO CAUSE AN INCREASE IN NIV ISSUANCE, BUT GIVEN OUR EXPERIENCE WITH THE OLYMPIC GAMES WE DID NOT ANTICIPATE AN EXCEPTIONAL INCREASE. IN ADDITION, THE WORSENING ECONOMIC SITUATION IN NEW ZEALAND APPEARED TO INDICATE NO OR MINIMAL INCREASE IN NIV

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ISSUANCE.

3. THE DEPARTMENT'S EARLIEST POSITIVE RESPONSE TO
THIS REQUEST WOULD BE APPRECIATED. HEALY

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